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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 4173

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UR, LE, IS, US, XF

SUBJ: ECHOES OF BEIRUT RAID

REF: STATE 70171

1. CONDEMNATION OF ISRAELI RAID ON BEIRUT CONTINUED IN SOVIET PRESS OVER WEEKEND, WITH ONLY SLIGHTEST HINT OF ALLEGATION OF U. S. COMPLICITY.

2. KUDRYAVTSEV IN APRIL 13 IZVESTIYA CONTRASTED ISRAEL'S CLAIM TO BE SEARCHING FOR " JUST AND SECURE" BORDERS WITH CONTINUING AGGRESSION BY ISRAELI RULING CIRCLES AND THEIR DISREGARD OF BORDERS AND NORMS ON INTERNATIONAL LAW. HE CLAIMED  
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THEY HAVE ELEVATED TERRORISM TO LEVEL OF OFFICIAL POLICY AGAINST OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES AND NEIGHBORING STATES. KUDRYAVTSEV HINTED AT US ROLE BY CITING RECENT ASSURANCES OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION RECEIVED BY ISRAELI AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON. HE ALSO OBJECTED TO TENDENCY OF US AND WEST EUROPEAN CIRCLES TO ADMIRE ISRAELI RAIDERS INSTEAD OF CONDEMNING TERRORISM AND DISREGARD OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, INCLUDING USE OF FOREIGN PASSPORTS BY RAIDERS.

3. MAYEVSKIY IN APRIL 15 PRAVDA ASSERTED RAID WAS " NOT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE OF ZIONIST BACKERS IN WEST." HE ALSO NOTED INTRUSION OF " CONTERTERRORIST ACTIONS" OF BLACK SEPTEMBER EXTREMISTS BUT SAID THIS CANNOT JUSTIFY " MASS ISRAELI TERROR" AGAINST ARABS.  
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